

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0010] In the pneumatic tire according to the present invention, the ratio of the block facing length  $c$  to the width  $b$  of the groove  $c/b$  is in a range of  $1.00 \leq c/b \leq 1.30$ .

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 18, line 29, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0061] The invention examples 1 to 3 are compared with the comparative examples 1 and 2, to find that the ratio  $c/b$  between the block facing length  $c$  and the width  $b$  of the main groove 2 is set in the predetermined range ( $0.50 \leq c/b \leq 1.30$ ) and this setting allows the wear resistance of the tires on unpaved roads (and the traction on snowy roads) to be maintained and also allows improved groove-crack resistance of the tires (see Fig. 5). Furthermore, it is found that by making the ratio  $c/b$  appropriate ( $1.00 \leq c/b \leq 1.30$ ), the wear resistance of the tires on unpaved roads is more adequately maintained.